

**BEFORE THE
BOARD OF BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

Case No. 200-2021-000677

ELIZABETH ELAINE STAMPS
16610 Palm Avenue
Anderson, CA 96007-8237

**Associate Marriage and Family Therapist
Registration No. AMFT 109909**

Respondent.

DECISION AND ORDER

The attached Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby adopted by the Board of Behavioral Sciences, Department of Consumer Affairs, as its Decision in this matter.

This Decision shall become effective on January 5, 2023.

It is so ORDERED December 6, 2022.



FOR THE BOARD OF BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES
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**STIPULATED SETTLEMENT AND
DISCIPLINARY ORDER**

15 **Associate Marriage and Family Therapist**
16 **Registration No. AMFT 109909**

17 Respondent.

18 IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the parties to the above-
19 entitled proceedings that the following matters are true:

20 **PARTIES**

21 1. Steve Sodergren (Complainant) is the Executive Officer of the Board of Behavioral
22 Sciences (Board). He brought this action solely in his official capacity and is represented in this
23 matter by Rob Bonta, Attorney General of the State of California, by Kevin W. Bell, Deputy
24 Attorney General.

25 2. Respondent Elizabeth Elaine Stamps (Respondent) is represented in this proceeding
26 by attorney Chris Parkhurst.

27 3. On or about October 9, 2018, the Board issued Associate Marriage and Family
28 Therapist Registration No. AMFT 109909 to Respondent. The Associate Marriage and Family

1 Therapist Registration was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in
2 Accusation No. 200-2021-000677, and will expire on October 31, 2022, unless renewed.

3 **JURISDICTION**

4 4. Accusation No. 200-2021-000677 was filed before the Board, and is currently
5 pending against Respondent. The Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were
6 properly served on Respondent on February 10, 2022. Respondent timely filed her Notice of
7 Defense contesting the Accusation.

8 5. A copy of Accusation No. 200-2021-000677 is attached as exhibit A and is
9 incorporated herein by reference.

10 **ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS**

11 6. Respondent has carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the
12 charges and allegations in the Accusation No. 200-2021-000677. Respondent has also carefully
13 read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the effects of this Stipulated Settlement and
14 Disciplinary Order.

15 7. Respondent is fully aware of her legal rights in this matter, including the right to a
16 hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; the right to confront and cross-examine
17 the witnesses against her; the right to present evidence and to testify on her own behalf; the right
18 to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of
19 documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other
20 rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.

21 8. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and
22 every right set forth above.

23 **CULPABILITY**

24 9. Respondent admits the truth of each and every charge and allegation in Accusation
25 No. 200-2021-000677.

26 10. Respondent agrees that her Associate Marriage and Family Therapist Registration is
27 subject to discipline and she agrees to be bound by the Board's probationary terms as set forth in
28 the Disciplinary Order below.

CONTINGENCY

11. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Board of Behavioral Sciences. Respondent understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Board may communicate directly with the Board regarding this stipulation and settlement, without notice to or participation by Respondent or her counsel. By signing the stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that she may not withdraw her agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Board considers and acts upon it. If the Board fails to adopt this stipulation as its Decision and Order, the Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order shall be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Board shall not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter.

12. The parties understand and agree that Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile copies of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, including PDF and facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.

13. This Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is intended by the parties to be an integrated writing representing the complete, final, and exclusive embodiment of their agreement. It supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous agreements, understandings, discussions, negotiations, and commitments (written or oral). This Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order may not be altered, amended, modified, supplemented, or otherwise changed except by a writing executed by an authorized representative of each of the parties.

14. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties agree that the Board may, without further notice or formal proceeding, issue and enter the following Disciplinary Order:

DISCIPLINARY ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Associate Marriage and Family Therapist Registration No. AMFT 109909 issued to Elizabeth Elaine Stamps (Respondent) is revoked. The revocation is stayed and Respondent is placed on five (5) years probation with the following terms and conditions. Probation shall continue on the same terms and conditions if Respondent is granted another registration or license regulated by the Board.

1 For the purposes of the ORDER, and consistent with Business and Professions Code section
2 23.7, all references to the word "license" contained in any term or condition below shall be
3 interpreted as meaning "registration".

4 **1. Psychological / Psychiatric Evaluation**

5 Within 90 days of the effective date of this Decision, and on a periodic basis thereafter as
6 may be required by the Board or its designee, respondent shall complete a psychological or
7 psychiatric evaluation by such licensed psychologists or psychiatrists as are appointed by the
8 Board. The cost of such evaluation shall be borne by respondent. Failure to pay for the report in
9 a timely fashion constitutes a violation of probation.

10 Such evaluator shall furnish a written report to the Board or its designee regarding
11 respondent's judgment and ability to function independently and safely as a counselor and such
12 other information as the Board may require. Respondent shall execute a Release of Information
13 authorizing the evaluator to release all information to the Board. Respondent shall comply with
14 the recommendations of the evaluator.

15 If a psychological or psychiatric evaluation indicates a need for supervised practice, (within
16 30 days of notification by the Board), respondent shall submit to the Board or its designee, for its
17 prior approval, the name and qualification of one or more proposed supervisors and a plan by
18 each supervisor by which respondent's practice will be supervised.

19 If respondent is determined to be unable to practice independently and safely, upon
20 notification, respondent shall immediately cease practice and shall not resume practice until
21 notified by the Board or its designee. Respondent shall not engage in any practice for which a
22 license issued by the Board is required, until the Board or its designee has notified respondent of
23 its determination that respondent may resume practice.

24 **2. Psychotherapy**

25 Respondent shall participate in ongoing psychotherapy with a California licensed mental
26 health professional who has been approved by the Board. Within 15 days of the effective date of
27 this Decision, respondent shall submit to the Board or its designee for its prior approval the name
28 and qualifications of one or more therapists of respondent's choice. Such therapist shall possess a

1 valid California license to practice and shall have had no prior business, professional, or personal
2 relationship with respondent, and shall not be respondent's supervisor. Counseling shall be at least
3 once a week unless otherwise determined by the Board. Respondent shall continue in such
4 therapy at the Board's discretion. Cost of such therapy is to be borne by respondent.

5 Respondent may, after receiving the Board's written permission, receive therapy via
6 videoconferencing if respondent's good faith attempts to secure face-to-face counseling are
7 unsuccessful due to the unavailability of qualified mental health care professionals in the area.
8 The Board may require that respondent provide written documentation of her good faith attempts
9 to secure counseling via videoconferencing.

10 Respondent shall provide the therapist with a copy of the Board's Decision no later than the
11 first counseling session. Upon approval by the Board, respondent shall undergo and continue
12 treatment until the Board or its designee determines that no further psychotherapy is necessary.

13 Respondent shall take all necessary steps to ensure that the treating psychotherapist submits
14 quarterly written reports to the Board concerning respondent's fitness to practice, progress in
15 treatment, and to provide such other information as may be required by the Board. Respondent
16 shall execute a Release of Information authorizing the therapist to divulge information to the
17 Board.

18 If the treating psychotherapist finds that respondent cannot practice safely or independently,
19 the psychotherapist shall notify the Board within three (3) working days. Upon notification by
20 the Board, respondent shall immediately cease practice and shall not resume practice until
21 notified by the Board or its designee that respondent may do so. Respondent shall not thereafter
22 engage in any practice for which a license issued by the Board is required until the Board or its
23 designee has notified respondent that he/she may resume practice. Respondent shall document
24 compliance with this condition in the manner required by the Board.

25 3. Education

26 Respondent shall take and successfully complete the equivalency of 2 semester units in
27 Substance Use/Abuse. All course work shall be taken at the graduate level at an accredited or
28 approved educational institution that offers a qualifying degree for licensure as a marriage and

1 family therapist, clinical social worker, educational psychologist, or professional clinical
2 counselor or through a course approved by the Board. Classroom attendance must be specifically
3 required. Course content shall be pertinent to the violation and all course work must be completed
4 within 18 months (or as approved by the Board) from the effective date of this Decision.

5 Within 90 days of the effective date of the Decision respondent shall submit a plan for prior
6 Board approval for meeting these educational requirements. All costs of the course work shall be
7 paid by respondent. Units obtained for an approved course shall not be used for continuing
8 education units required for renewal of licensure.

9 **4. Dependency Support Program**

10 Respondent shall attend a dependency support program approved by the Board no less than
11 2 times per week. Respondent shall provide proof of attendance at said program with each
12 quarterly report that Respondent submits during the period of probation. Failure to attend, or to
13 show proof of such attendance, shall constitute a violation of probation.

14 **5. Abstain from Controlled Substances / Submit to Drug and Alcohol Testing**

15 Respondent shall completely abstain from the use or possession of controlled or illegal
16 substances unless lawfully prescribed by a medical practitioner for a bona fide illness.

17 Respondent shall immediately submit to random and directed drug and alcohol testing, at
18 respondent's cost, upon request by the Board or its designee. Respondent shall be subject to a
19 minimum number of random tests per year for the duration of the probationary term, as
20 prescribed in the Uniform Standards Related to Substance Abuse listed herein. There will be no
21 confidentiality in test results. Any confirmed positive finding will be immediately reported to
22 Respondent, Respondent's current employer, and the supervisor, if any, and shall be a violation of
23 probation.

24 If Respondent tests positive for a controlled substance, Respondent's license shall be
25 automatically suspended. Respondent shall make daily contact as directed by the Board to
26 determine or she must submit to testing. Respondent shall submit her test on the same day that
27 she is notified that a test is required. All alternative testing sites due to vacation or travel outside
28 of California must be approved by the Board prior to the vacation or travel.

6. Abstain from Controlled Substances / Submit to Drug and Alcohol Testing

Respondent shall completely abstain from the intake of alcohol during the period of probation.

Respondent shall immediately submit to random and directed drug and alcohol testing, at respondent's cost, upon request by the Board or its designee. Respondent shall be subject to a minimum number of random tests per year for the duration of the probationary term, as prescribed in the Uniform Standards Related to Substance Abuse listed herein. There will be no confidentiality in test results. Any confirmed positive finding will be immediately reported to Respondent, Respondent's current employer, and to the supervisor, if any, and shall be a violation of probation.

If Respondent tests positive for alcohol and/or a controlled substance, Respondent's license shall be automatically suspended. Respondent shall make daily contact as directed by the Board to determine if she must submit to drug testing. Respondent shall submit her drug test on the same day that he or she is notified that a test is required. All alternative testing sites due to vacation or travel out of California must be approved by the Board prior to the vacation or travel.

7. Obey All Laws

Respondent shall obey all federal, state and local laws, all statutes and regulations governing the licensee, and remain in full compliance with any court ordered criminal probation, payments and other orders. A full and detailed account of any and all violations of law shall be reported by respondent to the Board or its designee in writing within seventy-two (72) hours of occurrence. To permit monitoring of compliance with this term, respondent shall submit fingerprints through the Department of Justice and Federal Bureau of Investigation within 30 days of the effective date of the Decision, unless previously submitted as part of the licensure application process. Respondent shall pay the cost associated with the fingerprint process.

8. File Quarterly Reports

Respondent shall submit quarterly reports, to the Board or its designee, as scheduled on the "Quarterly Report Form" (rev. 07/2016). Respondent shall state under penalty of perjury whether she has been in compliance with all the conditions of probation. Notwithstanding any provision

1 for tolling of requirements of probation, during the cessation of practice respondent shall continue
2 to submit quarterly reports under penalty of perjury.

3 **9. Comply with Probation Program**

4 Respondent shall comply with the probation program established by the Board and
5 cooperate with representatives of the Board in its monitoring and investigation of respondent's
6 compliance with the program.

7 **10. Interviews with the Board**

8 Respondent shall appear in person for interviews with the Board or its designee upon
9 request at various intervals and with reasonable notice.

10 **11. Failure to Practice**

11 In the event respondent stops practicing in California, respondent shall notify the Board or
12 its designee in writing within 30 calendar days prior to the dates of non-practice and return to
13 practice. Non-practice is defined as any period of time exceeding thirty calendar days in which
14 respondent is not engaging in any activities defined in Sections 4980.02, 4989.14, 4996.9, or
15 4999.20 of the Business and Professions Code. Any period of non-practice, as defined in this
16 condition, will not apply to the reduction of the probationary term and will relieve respondent of
17 the responsibility to comply with the probationary terms and conditions with the exception of this
18 condition and the following terms and conditions of probation: Obey All Laws; File Quarterly
19 Reports; Comply With Probation Program; Maintain Valid License/Registration; and Cost
20 Recovery. Respondent's license shall be subject to cancellation if Respondent's period of non-
21 practice total two years.

22 **12. Change of Place of Employment or Place of Residence**

23 Respondent shall notify the Board or its designee in writing within 30 days of any change
24 of place of employment or place of residence. The written notice shall include the address, the
25 telephone number and the date of the change.

26 **13. Supervision of Unlicensed Persons**

27 While on probation, respondent shall not act as a supervisor for any hours of supervised
28 practice required for any license issued by the Board. Respondent shall terminate any such

supervisory relationship in existence on the effective date of this Decision.

14. Notification to Clients

Respondent shall notify all clients when any term or condition of probation will affect their therapy or the confidentiality of their records, including but not limited to supervised practice, suspension, or client population restriction. Such notification shall be signed by each client prior to continuing or commencing treatment. Respondent shall submit, upon request by the Board or its designee, satisfactory evidence of compliance with this term of probation.

15. Notification to Employer

Respondent shall provide each of her current or future employers, when performing services that fall within the scope of practice of her license, a copy of this Decision and the Statement of Issues or Accusation before commencing employment. Notification to respondent's current employer shall occur no later than the effective date of the Decision or immediately upon commencing employment. Respondent shall submit, upon request by the Board or its designee, satisfactory evidence of compliance with this term of probation.

Respondent shall provide to the Board the names, physical addresses, and telephone numbers of all employers, supervisors, and contractors.

Respondent shall complete the required consent forms and sign an agreement with the employer and supervisor, or contractor, and the Board to allow the Board to communicate with the employer and supervisor or contractor regarding the licensee's work status, performance, and monitoring.

16. Violation of Probation

If respondent violates the conditions of her probation, the Board, after giving respondent notice and the opportunity to be heard, may set aside the stay order and impose the discipline (revocation/suspension) of respondent's license provided in the Decision.

If during the period of probation, an accusation, petition to revoke probation, or statement of issues has been filed against respondent's license or application for licensure, or the Attorney General's office has been requested to prepare such an accusation, petition to revoke probation, or statement of issues, the probation period set forth in this Decision shall be automatically extended

1 and shall not expire until the accusation, petition to revoke probation, or statement of issues has
2 been acted upon by the Board. Upon successful completion of probation, respondent's license
3 shall be fully restored.

4 **17. Maintain Valid License**

5 Respondent shall, at all times while on probation, maintain a current and active registration
6 with the Board, including any period during which suspension or probation is tolled. Should
7 respondent's registration, by operation of law or otherwise, expire, upon renewal respondent's
8 registration shall be subject to any and all terms of this probation not previously satisfied.

9 **18. License Surrender**

10 Following the effective date of this Decision, if respondent ceases practicing due to
11 retirement or health reasons, or is otherwise unable to satisfy the terms and conditions of
12 probation, respondent may voluntarily request the surrender of her license to the Board. The
13 Board reserves the right to evaluate respondent's request and to exercise its discretion whether to
14 grant the request or to take any other action deemed appropriate and reasonable under the
15 circumstances. Upon formal acceptance of the surrender, respondent shall within 30 calendar
16 days deliver respondent's license and certificate (and if applicable wall certificate) to the Board or
17 its designee and respondent shall no longer engage in any practice for which a license is required.
18 Upon formal acceptance of the tendered license, respondent will no longer be subject to the terms
19 and conditions of probation.

20 Voluntary surrender of respondent's license shall be considered to be a disciplinary action
21 and shall become a part of respondent's license history with the Board. Respondent may not
22 petition the Board for reinstatement of the surrendered license. Should respondent at any time
23 after voluntary surrender ever reapply to the Board for licensure respondent must meet all current
24 requirements for licensure including, but not limited to, filing a current application, meeting all
25 current educational and experience requirements, and taking and passing any and all examinations
26 required of new applicants.

27 **19. Instruction of Coursework Qualifying for Continuing Education**

28 Respondent shall not be an instructor of any coursework for continuing education credit

1 required by any license issued by the Board.

2 **20. Notification to Referral Services**

3 Respondent shall immediately send a copy of this Decision to all referral services registered
4 with the Board in which respondent is a participant. While on probation, respondent shall send a
5 copy of this Decision to all Board registered referral services that respondent seeks to join.

6 **21. Reimbursement of Probation Program**

7 Respondent shall reimburse the Board for the costs it incurs in monitoring the probation to
8 ensure compliance for the duration of the probation period. Reimbursement costs shall be
9 \$1,200.00 per year.

10 **22. Cost Recovery**

11 Respondent shall pay the Board \$4,334.00 for the reasonable costs of the investigation and
12 prosecution of Case No. 200-2021-000677. Respondent shall make the check or money order
13 payable to the Board of Behavioral Sciences and shall indicate on the check or money order that it
14 is the cost recovery payment for Case No. 200-2021-000677. Any order for payment of cost
15 recovery shall remain in effect whether or not probation is tolled. Probation shall not terminate
16 until full payment has been made. Should any part of cost recovery not be paid in accordance
17 with the outlined payment schedule, respondent shall be considered to be in violation of
18 probation. A period of non-practice by respondent shall not relieve respondent of her obligation
19 to reimburse the board for its costs.

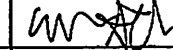
20 Cost recovery must be completed six months prior to the termination of probation. A
21 payment plan authorized by the Board may be extended at the discretion of the Enforcement
22 Manager based on good cause shown by the probationer.

23 **ACCEPTANCE**

24 I have carefully read the above Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order and have fully
25 discussed it with my attorney, Chris Parkhurst. I understand the stipulation and the effect it will
26 have on my Associate Marriage and Family Therapist Registration. I enter into this Stipulated
27 Settlement and Disciplinary Order voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to be
28 bound by the Decision and Order of the Board of Behavioral Sciences.

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2 DATED: 8/4/2022

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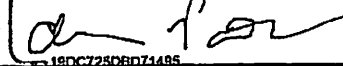


ELIZABETH ELAINE STAMPS
Respondent

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5 I have read and fully discussed with Respondent Elizabeth Elaine Stamps the terms and
6 conditions and other matters contained in the above Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order.
7 I approve its form and content.

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9 DATED: 8/4/2022

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Chris Parkhurst
Attorney for Respondent

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12 **ENDORSEMENT**

13 The foregoing Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby respectfully
14 submitted for consideration by the Board of Behavioral Sciences.

15 DATED: 8/26/22

Respectfully submitted,

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17 Attorney General of California
18 ANDREW M. STEINHEIMER
Supervising Deputy Attorney General


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Exhibit A

Accusation No. 200-2021-000677

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18 1. Steve Sodergren (Complainant) brings this Accusation solely in his official capacity
19 as the Executive Officer of the Board of Behavioral Sciences, Department of Consumer Affairs
20 (Board).

21 2. On or about October 9, 2018, the Board issued Associate Marriage Family Therapist
22 Registration Number AMFT 109909 to Elizabeth Elaine Stamps (Respondent). The Associate
23 Marriage Family Therapist Registration was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the
24 charges brought herein and will expire on October 31, 2022, unless renewed.

25 **JURISDICTION**

26 3. This Accusation is brought before the Board, under the authority of the following
27 laws. All section references are to the Business and Professions Code (Code) unless otherwise
28 indicated.

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(a) In addition to any other action that a board is permitted to take against a licensee, a board may suspend or revoke a license on the ground that the licensee has been convicted of a crime, if the crime is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of the business or profession for which the license was issued.

The board may deny a license or registration or may suspend or revoke the license or registration of a licensee or registrant if the licensee or registrant has been guilty of unprofessional conduct. Unprofessional conduct includes, but is not limited to, the following:

(c) Administering to himself . . . any alcoholic beverage to the extent, or in a manner, as to be dangerous or injurious to the person applying for a registration or license or holding a registration or license under this chapter, or to any other person, or to the public, or, to the extent that the use impairs the ability of the person applying for or holding a registration or license to conduct with safety to the public the practice authorized by the registration or license. The board shall deny an application for a registration or license or revoke the license or registration of any person, other than one who is licensed as a physician and surgeon, who uses or offers to use drugs in the course of performing marriage and family therapy services.

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As used in section 4982 of the code, unprofessional conduct includes, but is not limited to:

1 (g) Failure to report to the board within 30 days any of the following:

2 (1) A conviction of any felony or misdemeanor, which is not subject to Health
3 & Safety Code sections 11357(b), (c), (d), (e) or 11360(b). A conviction includes any
4 verdict of guilty, or plea of guilty or no contest.

4 **COST RECOVERY**

5 7. Section 125.3 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the Board may request the
6 administrative law judge to direct a licensee found to have committed a violation or violations of
7 the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and
8 enforcement of the case.

9 **FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS**

10 8. On or about February 8, 2021, Respondent was convicted in Shasta County Superior
11 Court case no. 20CRTR7645 of violations of Vehicle Code sections 23152(b), driving with a .08
12 Blood Alcohol Content or above, with an enhancement for a prior DUI conviction (see
13 subparagraph (b) below); and 14601.2(a), Driving while license suspended due to a prior DUI
14 conviction. The circumstances of the offense are as follows:

15 a. On or about September 11, 2020, Respondent was observed driving her vehicle after
16 dark with a headlight out. An officer pulled in behind her and activated his emergency lights, but
17 Respondent failed to yield and continued driving. The officer stayed behind her vehicle and
18 observed it swerve off of and back onto the road, finally pulling into a Circle K and stopping at
19 the gas pumps. The officer approached the vehicle and contacted Respondent. The officer noted
20 that she was slow to respond to his questions and had "glassy eyes," and she admitted to the
21 officer that she had consumed "two drinks of hard alcohol." A second officer arrived at the scene,
22 and noted that Respondent had the odor of alcohol emitting from her breath and her person, had
23 slurred and mumbled speech, had bloodshot and watery eyes, and was unsteady on her feet to the
24 point where she needed to lean against the patrol car to keep from swaying from side-to-side. The
25 Respondent then failed a series of field sobriety tests, and a subsequent breath test showed that
26 Respondent's Blood Alcohol Level was at a .15%/.14%.

27 b. On or about February 24, 2020, Respondent was convicted of a violation of Vehicle
28 Code section 23152(b), driving with a .08 Blood Alcohol Content or above, in Shasta County

1 Superior Court case no. 19CRTR7267. In that case, admitted to consuming "two vodka tonics"
2 while attending a "beer pong night" held at a local bar. Her Blood Alcohol Level was determined
3 to be 0.13% and 0.14%.

4 **FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE**

5 (Conviction of a Crime)

6 9. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Code sections 490 and 4982(a) in
7 that Respondent was convicted of a crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or
8 duties of a licensee or registrant. The circumstances are as follows:

9 10. On or about February 8, 2021, Respondent was convicted of violations of Vehicle
10 Code sections 23152(b), driving with a .08 Blood Alcohol Content or above, with an
11 enhancement for a prior DUI conviction; and 14601.2(a), Driving while license suspended due to
12 a prior DUI conviction, as more fully set forth in paragraph 8 above and incorporated herein by
13 reference.

14 **SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE**

15 (Dangerous Use of Alcohol)

16 11. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Code section 4982(c) in that
17 Respondent administered to herself any alcoholic beverage to the extent, or in a manner, as to be
18 dangerous or injurious to herself and others. The circumstances are as follows:

19 12. On or about February 8, 2021, Respondent was convicted of violations of Vehicle
20 Code sections 23152(b), driving with a .08 Blood Alcohol Content or above, with an
21 enhancement for a prior DUI conviction; and 14601.2(a), Driving while license suspended due to
22 a prior DUI conviction, as more fully set forth in paragraph 8 above and incorporated herein by
23 reference.

24 **THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE**

25 (Failure to Report)

26 13. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Code section 4982(e) and Title 16
27 California Code of Regulations section 1845(g)(1) in that she failed to report to the Board the
28 conviction set forth in paragraph 8 above within 30 days of the conviction.

1 PRAYER

2 WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged,
3 and that following the hearing, the Board of Behavioral Sciences issue a decision:

4 1. Revoking or suspending Associate Marriage Family Therapist Registration Number
5 AMFT 109909, issued to Elizabeth Elaine Stamps;

6 2. Ordering Elizabeth Elaine Stamps to pay the Board of Behavioral Sciences the
7 reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case, pursuant to Business and
8 Professions Code section 125.3; and,

9 3. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.

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11 DATED: February 1, 2022

Steve Sodergren

STEVE SODERGREN

Executive Officer

Board of Behavioral Sciences

Department of Consumer Affairs

State of California

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